

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 8404, Respect for Marriage Act, as amended.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6831–S6865

Measures Introduced: Eleven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 5136–5146, and S. Res. 851. **Page S6857**

Measures Passed:

Respect for Marriage Act: By 61 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 362), Senate passed H.R. 8404, to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage, by the order of the Senate of Monday, November 28, 2022, 60 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S6831–46**

Adopted:

Schumer (for Baldwin) Amendment No. 6487, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6844**

Rejected:

By 48 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 359), Lee Amendment No. 6482 (to Amendment No. 6487), of a perfecting nature. (Pursuant to the order of Monday, November 28, 2022, the amendment having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Pages S6834–37, S6843–44**

By 45 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 360), Lankford Amendment No. 6496 (to Amendment No. 6487), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S6837–43, S6844**

By 45 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 361), Lankford (for Rubio) Amendment No. 6493 (to Amendment No. 6487), to eliminate a private right of action. **Pages S6837–43, S6844**

Withdrawn:

Schumer Amendment No. 6488 (to Amendment No. 6487), to add an effective date. **Page S6844**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

Schumer Amendment No. 6489 (to Amendment No. 6488), to add an effective date, fell when Schumer Amendment No. 6488 (to Amendment No. 6487) (listed above), was withdrawn. **Page S6844**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the motion to invoke cloture on the bill, be withdrawn. **Page S6844**

Safeguard Tribal Objects of Patrimony Act: Senate passed H.R. 2930, to enhance protections of Native American tangible cultural heritage. **Pages S6847–48**

Navajo-Gallup Water Supply Project Amendments Act Referral—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that S. 5068, to amend the Northwestern New Mexico Rural Water Projects Act to make improvements to that Act, be discharged from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. **Page S6862**

Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the motions to invoke cloture with respect to the nominations of Camille L. Velez-Rive, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico, Anne M. Nardacci, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, Jerry W. Blackwell, of Minnesota, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota, and Doris L. Pryor, of Indiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, ripen at 11:30 a.m., on Wednesday, November 30, 2022; that at 11:30 a.m., on Wednesday, November 30, 2022, Senate vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of Camille L. Velez-Rive, and Anne M. Nardacci; that if cloture is invoked on the nominations, all post-cloture time be considered expired at 2:15 p.m., on Wednesday, November 30, 2022. **Page S6846**

Velez-Rive Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Camille L. Velez-Rive, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico. **Pages S6846–47**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, November 30, 2022. **Page S6862**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Kate E. Brubacher, of Kansas, to be United States Attorney for the District of Kansas for the term of four years.

Ismail J. Ramsey, of California, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of California for the term of four years. **Page S6865**

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Additional Statements: **Page S6849**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S6862**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—362) **Pages S6843–44, S6846**

Recess: Senate convened at 12 noon and recessed at 7:24 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, November 30, 2022. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6862.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 692 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

18 General Services Administration resolutions; and

The nominations of Beth Pritchard Geer, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority, Shailen P. Bhatt, of Michigan, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, and Juan Eduardo Sanchez, of Texas, to be Federal

Cochairperson of the Southwest Border Regional Commission.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Christopher T. Robinson, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia, George P. Kent, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, Kenneth Merten, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Bulgaria, Bijan Sabet, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Czech Republic, who was introduced by Senator Markey, Stephanie Sanders Sullivan, of Maryland, to be Representative of the United States of America to the African Union, with the rank and status of Ambassador, Henry V. Jardine, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Mauritius, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Seychelles, Kathleen Ann Kavalec, of California, to be Ambassador to Romania, and Manuel P. Micaller, Jr., of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Tajikistan, all of the Department of State, L. Felice Gorordo, of Florida, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, who was introduced by Senator Menendez, and Richard L.A. Weiner, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Karla Ann Gilbride, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and Jessica Looman, of Minnesota, to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor.

KROGER-ALBERTSONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Competition Policy, Antitrust, and Consumer Rights concluded a hearing to examine the competitive impact of the proposed Kroger-Albertsons transaction, after receiving testimony from Rodney McMullen, The Kroger Co., Cincinnati, Ohio; Vivek Sankaran, Albertsons Companies, Inc., Boise, Idaho; Sumit Sharma, Consumer Reports, Washington, D.C.; Andrew Sweeting, University of Maryland, College Park; and Michael Needler, Fresh Encounter, Inc., Findlay, Ohio, on behalf of the National Grocers Association.